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Exhibit 10-3. Rio Grande River Basin and Major Tributaries

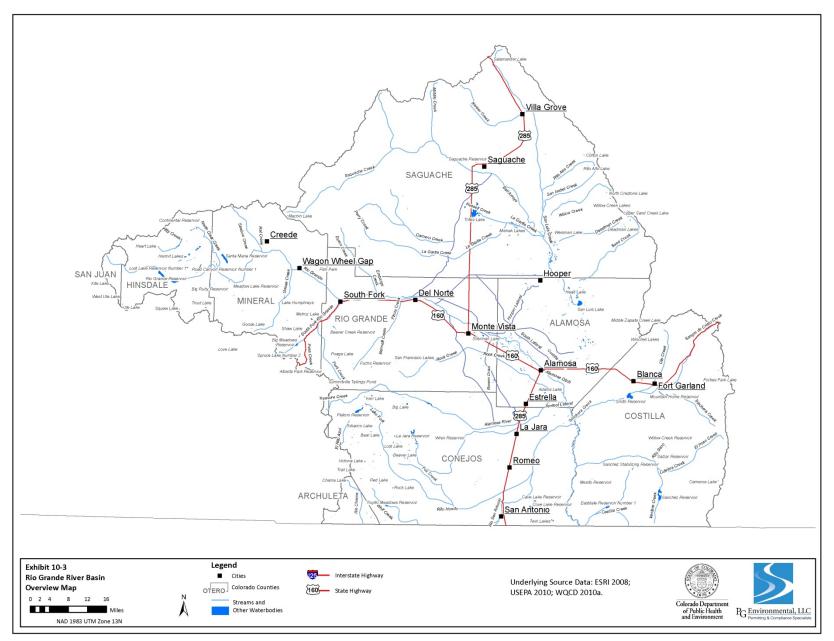


Exhibit 10-4

Rio Grande River Basin

NAD 1983 UTM Zone 13N

Level III Ecoregions



Exhibit 10-4. Rio Grande River Basin Level III Ecoregions

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Colorado Level III Ecoregions Present in the Rio Grande Basin

Arizona / New Mexico Plateau

San Antonio

Underlying Source Data: CEC 2006.

Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment

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Interstate Highway

160 State Highway

Legend

■ Cities

OTERO Colorado Counties

Streams and Other Waterbodies

Exhibit 10-5. Endangered and Threatened Species in Rio Grande River Basin

| | | Sta | atus |
|----------|--|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| | Species | Federal | State |
| Enda | ingered Species | Federal | State |
| Fish | Rio Grande Sucker (<i>Catostomus plebeius</i>) | | ٧ |
| Birds | Whooping Crane (Grus Americana) | ٧ | ٧ |
| Bir | Southwestern Willow Flycatcher (Empidonax traillii extimus) | ٧ | ٧ |
| S | Black-footed Ferret (Mustela nigripes) | ٧ | ٧ |
| Mammals | Lynx (Lynx Canadensis) | On federal threatened list | ٧ |
| V | Wolverine (Gulo gulo) | | √ |
| | Total Endangered Species | 3 | 6 |
| Thre | atened Species | Federal | State |
| S | Bald Eagle (Haliaeetus leucoephalus) | ٧ | ٧ |
| Birds | Mexican Spotted Owl (Strix occidentalis lucida) | ٧ | ٧ |
| В | Burrowing Owl (Athene cunicularia) | | ٧ |
| Mammals | Lynx (<i>Lynx Canadensis</i>) | ٧ | On state endangered list |
| | Total Threatened Species | 3 | 3 |
| State | Species of Special Concern (not a statutory category) | Federal | State |
| Fish | Rio Grande Chub (<i>Gila Pandora</i>) | | ٧ |
| Fi | Rio Grande Cutthroat Trout (<i>Oncorhynchus clarki virginalis</i>) | | ٧ |
| Amph. | Northern Leopard Frog (<i>Rana pipiens</i>) | | ٧ |
| Reptiles | Midget Faded Rattlesnake (Crotalus viridis concolor) | | ٧ |
| | Greater Sandhill Crane (Crus Canadensis tabida) | | ٧ |
| | Gunnison Sage grouse (Centrocercus minimus) | | ٧ |
| | American Peregrine Falcon (Falco peregrinus anatum) | | ٧ |
| Birds | Mountain Plover (Charadrius montanus) | | ٧ |
| B | Ferruginous Hawk (Buteo regalis) | | ٧ |
| | Greater Sage Grouse (Centrocercus urophasianus) | | √ |
| | Long-billed Curlew (Numenius americanus) | | √ √ |
| Mammals | Northern Pocket Gopher (<i>Thomomys talpoides</i> macrotis) | | ٧ |
| | Total State Species of Special Concern | NA | 12 |
| | oc: CDOW 2010: CWCB 2004 | 1 | |

Sources: CDOW 2010; CWCB 2004.

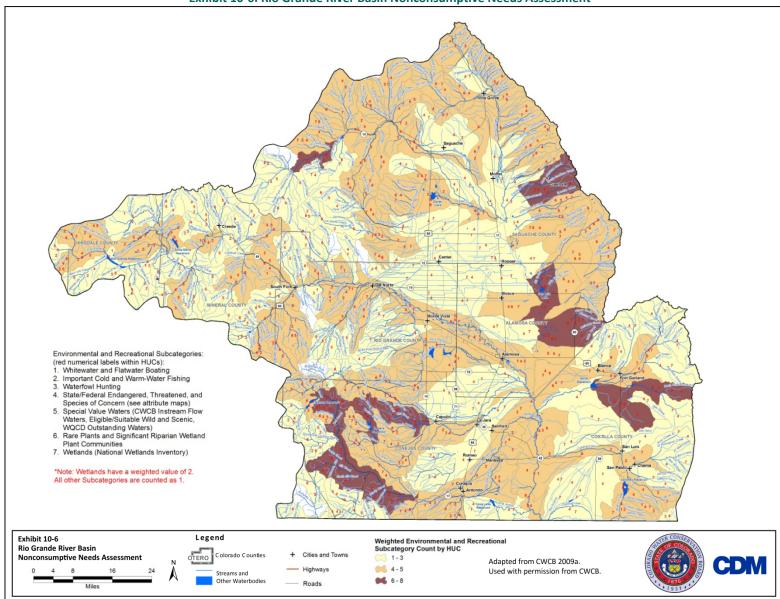


Exhibit 10-6. Rio Grande River Basin Nonconsumptive Needs Assessment¹

¹ The nonconsumptive needs assessment map focuses on environmental and recreational areas for the following purposes: (1) to serve as a guide for water supply planning to avoid future conflicts over environmental and recreational needs; (2) to assist in identifying environmental and recreational water needs status; (3) to help basins plan for the water needs of species of special concern; and (4) to provide opportunity for collaborative efforts for future multi-objective projects. The Rio Grande River Basin was developed using hydrologic unit codes (HUCs). The subcategories of environmental and recreational uses associated with the Rio Grande are shown in the exhibit Additional information on the environmental and recreational areas included Arkansas map can be found in Appendix D of CWCB 2009a.

Exhibit 10-7. Rio Grande River Basin Precipitation

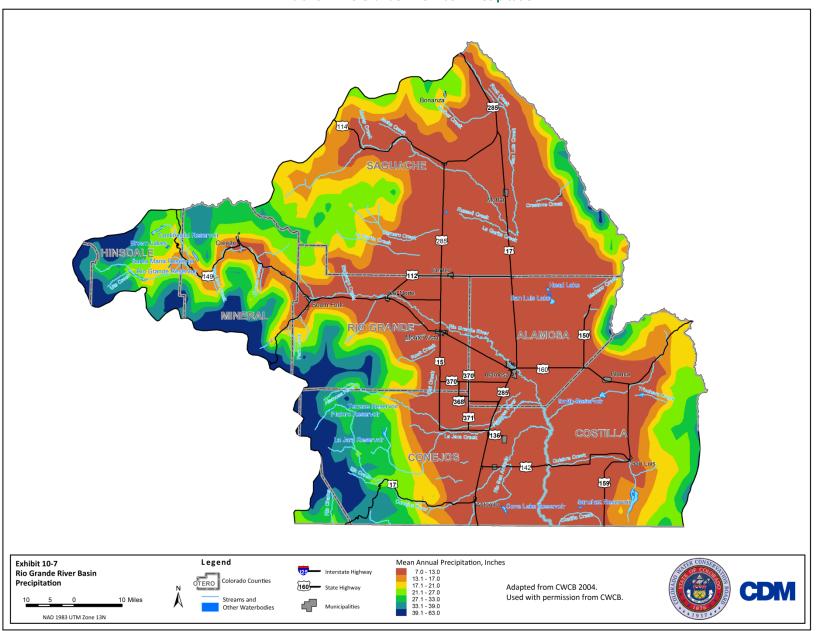
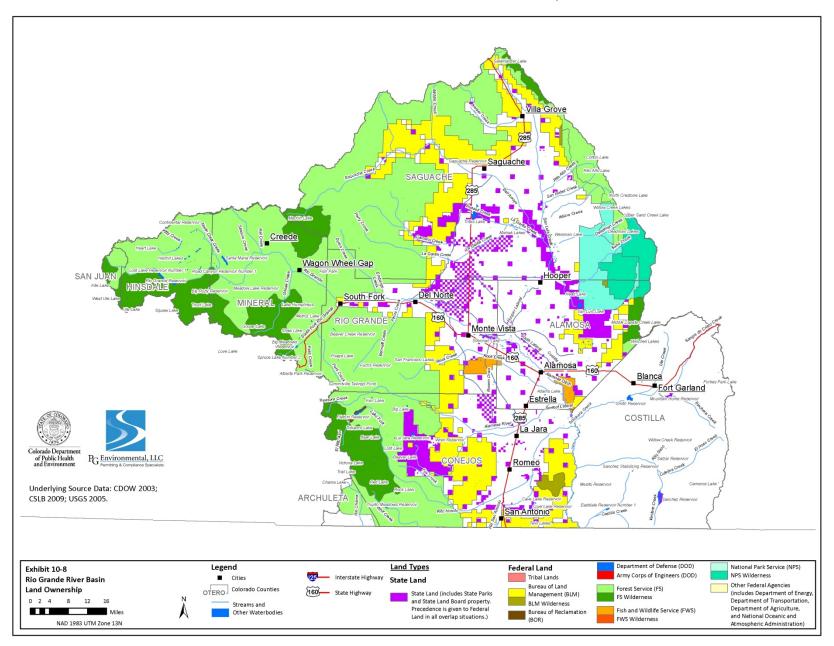


Exhibit 10-8. Rio Grande River Basin Land Ownership



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Exhibit 10-9. Rio Grande River Basin Land Cover

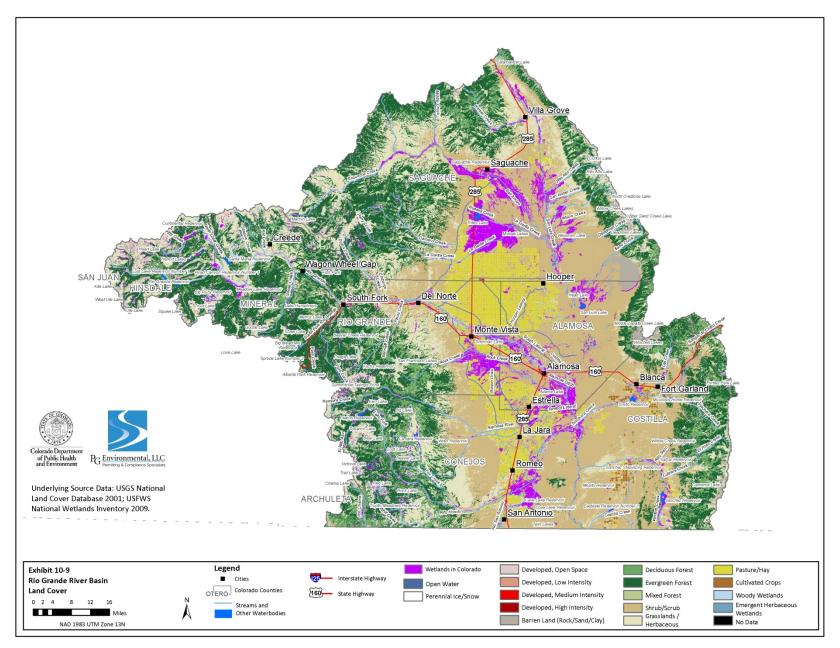


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100,000 90,000 80,000 70,000 60,000 ■ Saguache County Population ■ Rio Grande County 50,000 ■ Mineral County ■ Costilla County 40,000 ■ Conejos County ■ Alamosa County 30,000 20,000 10,000 0 2005 2010 2025 2030 2035 2050 Low 2050 2050 High 2015 2020 Medium

Exhibit 10-11. Rio Grande River Basin Population Projections

Source: CWCB 2010, DOLA 2010.

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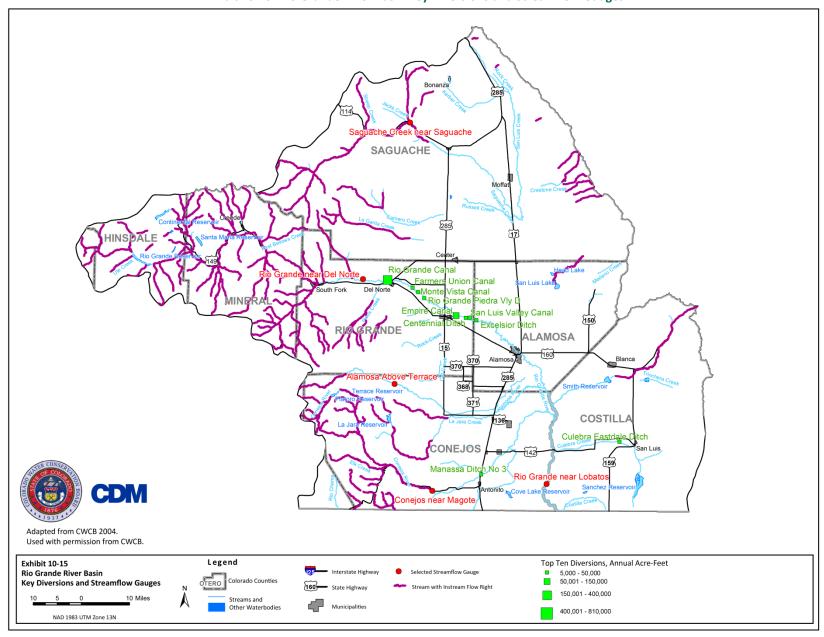


Exhibit 10-15. Rio Grande River Basin Key Diversions and Streamflow Gauges

Exhibit 10-16. Rio Grande River Basin Wells and Aquifers

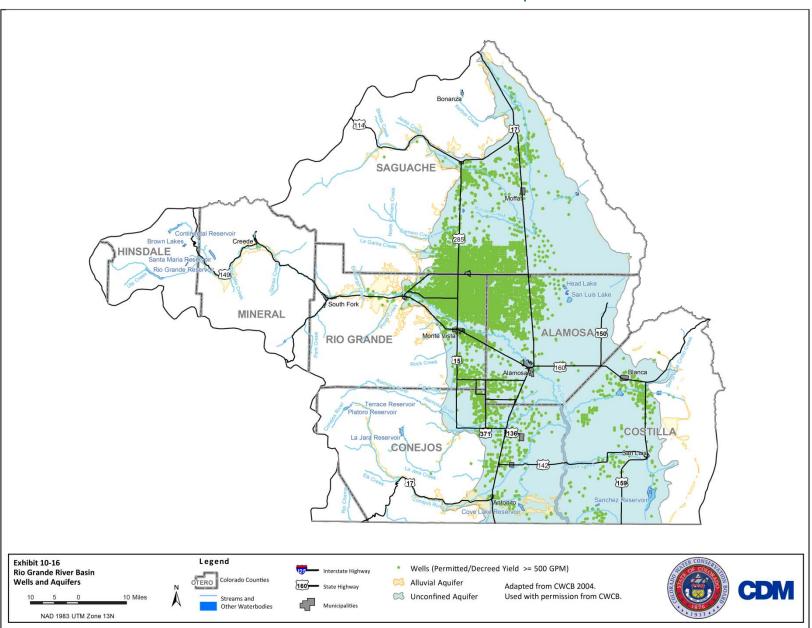


Exhibit 10-17. Rio Grande River Basin Classified Waterbody Segments

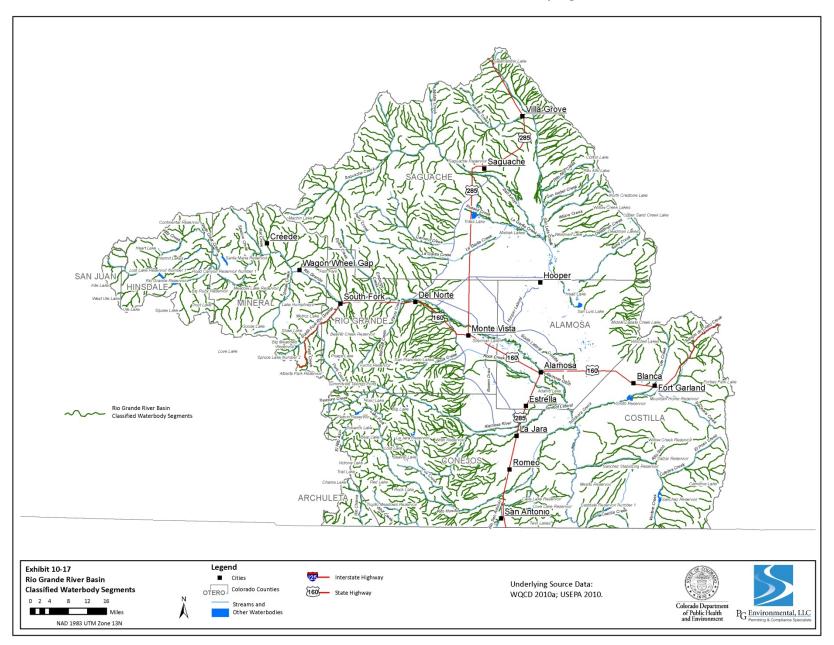


Exhibit 10-18. Rio Grande River Basin Use Classifications for Waterbody Segments

| | | Aquat | tic Life | | | Rec | reation | | Motor | | Designa | ations |
|--|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|-----------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| Sub-Basin | Cold 1 | Cold 2 | Warm 1 | Warm 2 | Existing | Potential | Not Suitable | Undetermined | Water Supply | Agriculture | Outstanding Waters | Use Protected |
| Totals Basin-Wide | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Segments (n = 72) | 42 | 11 | 1 | 11 | 70 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 36 | 71 | 4 | 23 |
| Segments as Percent of Total | 58% | 15% | 1% | 15% | 97% | 0% | 3% | 0% | 50% | 99% | 6% | 32% |
| Miles (n = 5,642.55) ¹ | 3,629.75 | 146.98 | 65.40 | 867.06 | 4,797.75 | 0 | 844.80 | 0 | 4,130.14 | 5,641.00 | 410.62 | 1,816.93 |
| Miles as Percent of Total ¹ | 64% | 3% | 1% | 15% | 85% | 0% | 15% | 0% | 73% | 99.9% | 7% | 32% |

¹ Lake acres are not shown.

Sources: WQCC 2010a and 2010b; WQCD 2010a, appendix A.

Exhibit 10-19. Rio Grande River Basin Use Classifications by Waterbody Segment

| Stroom | | | | | tic Life ¹ | | | | creation ¹ | | Motor | | |
|--------------------------------|---|------------------------------|--------|--------|-----------------------|--------|----------|-----------|-----------------------|--------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Stream Segment ¹ | Segment Description ¹ | Stream Miles ¹ | Cold 1 | Cold 2 | Warm 1 | Warm 2 | Existing | Potential | Not Suitable | Undetermined | Water Supply ¹ | Agriculture ¹ | Designation ¹ |
| Rio Grande Riv | ver Basin (CORGRG) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | All tributaries to the Rio Grande, including all wetlands, lakes and reservoirs, which are within the Weminuche Wilderness Area | 165.80 | • | | | | • | | | | • | • | OW ² |
| 2 | Mainstem of the Rio Grande, including all wetlands, tributaries, lakes and reservoirs, from the source to a point immediately above the confluence with Willow Creek | 380.70 | • | | | | • | | | | • | • | |
| 3 | Rio Grande Reservoir; Santa Maria Reservoir; mainstem of Seepage Creek from the outlet of Santa Maria Reservoir to a point 1 mile below the outlet of Santa Maria Reservoir; North Clear Creek from the outlet of Continental Reservoir to a point immediately above the confluence with Rito Hondo Creek | 3 | | • | | | • | | | | | • | |
| 4 | Mainstem of the Rio Grande from a point immediately above the confluence with Willow Creek to the Rio Grande/Alamosa County line | 87.32 | • | | | | • | | | | • | • | |
| 5 | All tributaries to the Rio Grande, including all wetlands, lakes and reservoirs, from immediately above the confluence with Willow Creek to State Highway 112 bridge in Del Norte | 326.80 | • | | | | • | | | | • | • | |
| 6 | Mainstem of West Willow Creek from immediately above Deerhorn Creek to the Park Regent Mine dump | 1.55 | • | | | | • | | | | | | |

| Stream | | Stream | | Aqua | tic Life ¹ | | | Re | creation ¹ | | Water | | |
|----------------------|--|---------------------|--------|--------|-----------------------|--------|----------|-----------|-----------------------|--------------|---------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Segment ¹ | Segment Description ¹ | Miles ¹ | Cold 1 | Cold 2 | Warm 1 | Warm 2 | Existing | Potential | Not Suitable | Undetermined | Supply ¹ | Agriculture ¹ | Designation ¹ |
| 7 | Mainstem of West Willow Creek from the Park Regent Mine dump to the confluence with East Willow Creek; mainstem of East Willow Creek to the confluence with West Willow Creek, mainstem Willow Creek, including all tributaries from the confluence of East and West Willow Creeks to the confluence with the Rio Grande | 11.80 | | | | | • | | | | | • | UP ⁴ |
| 8 | Mainstem of Goose Creek, including all tributaries, and wetlands from the source to the confluence with the Rio Grande | 27.60 | • | | | | • | | | | • | • | |
| 9 +L | Mainstem of the South Fork of Rio Grande, including all tributaries, wetlands, lakes and reservoirs, from source to confluence with Rio Grande | 162.80 ⁵ | • | | | | • | | | | • | • | |
| 10 | Mainstem of Pinos Creek, including all tributaries, wetlands, lakes and reservoirs, from the source to the confluence with Rio Grande | 102.10 | • | | | | • | | | | • | • | |
| 11 | Mainstem of San Francisco Creek (Rio Grande County), including all tributaries, wetlands, lakes and reservoirs, from the source to the confluence with Spring Branch | 32.00 | • | | | | • | | | | • | • | |
| 12 | Mainstem of the Rio Grande from the Rio Grande/Alamosa County line to the Old State Bridge east of Lobatos (Conejos County Road G) | 65.40 | | | • | | • | | | | | • | |
| 13 | Mainstem of the Rio Grande from Old State Bridge east of Lobotos (Conejos County Road G) to the Colorado/New Mexico border | 8.44 | • | | | | • | | | | | • | |

| Stream | | Stream | | Aqua | tic Life ¹ | | | Re | creation ¹ | | Water | | |
|----------------------|---|--------------------|--------|--------|-----------------------|--------|----------|-----------|-----------------------|--------------|---------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Segment ¹ | Segment Description ¹ | Miles ¹ | Cold 1 | Cold 2 | Warm 1 | Warm 2 | Existing | Potential | Not Suitable | Undetermined | Supply ¹ | Agriculture ¹ | Designation ¹ |
| 14 | All tributaries to the Rio Grande including wetlands, lakes and reservoirs, which are within the Rio Grande National Forest, from the State Highway 112 bridge in Del Norte to immediately below the confluence of Rock Creek with the Rio Grande | 35.60 | • | | | | • | | | | • | • | |
| 15 | All tributaries to the Rio Grande from State Highway 112 bridge in Del Norte to the Colorado- New Mexico Stateline | 540.90 | | | | | | | • | | | • | UP |
| 16 | All waters within the Alamosa National Wildlife Refuge | 9.84 | | | | • | • | | | | | • | UP |
| 17 | All waters within the Monte Vista National Wildlife Refuge | 13.90 | | | | • | • | | | | | • | UP |
| 18 | All wetlands tributary to the Rio Grande, including lakes and reservoirs, from State Highway 112 bridge in Del Norte to the Colorado/New Mexico border | 3.96 | | | | • | • | | | | | • | UP |
| 19 | Mainstem of Rock Creek, including all tributaries, wetlands, lakes and reservoirs from source to Monte Vista Canal | 49.80 | • | | | | • | | | | • | • | |
| 20 | Mainstem of Cat Creek from the source to the Terrace Main Canal | 10.50 | • | | | | • | | | | | • | |
| 21 | Mainstem of Ute Creek, including all tributaries, wetlands, lakes and reservoirs, from the source to U.S. Hwy 160 | 34.90 | • | | | | • | | | | • | • | |
| 22 | Mainstem of Ute Creek from U.S. Hwy 160 to the confluence with Sangre de Cristo Creek | 3.77 | | • | | | • | | | | • | • | |
| 23 | Mainstem of Sangre de Cristo Creek, including all tributaries, wetlands, lakes and reservoirs, from the source to State Hwy 159 | 133.70 | • | | | | • | | | | | • | |

| | | | | Aquat | tic Life ¹ | | | Re | ecreation ¹ | | | | |
|--------------------------------|--|------------------------------|----------|--------|-----------------------|--------|----------|-----------|------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Stream Segment ¹ | Segment Description ¹ | Stream Miles ¹ | Cold 1 | Cold 2 | Warm 1 | Warm 2 | Existing | Potential | Not Suitable | Undetermined | Water Supply ¹ | Agriculture ¹ | Designation ¹ |
| 24 | Mainstem of Sangre de Cristo Creek from State Highway 159 to inlet of Smith Reservoir | 5.52 | | • | | | • | | | | | • | |
| 25 | Mainstem of Trinchera Creek including all tributaries, wetlands, lakes and reservoirs, from source to the outlet of Mountain Home Reservoir | 33.80 | • | | | | • | | | | • | • | |
| 26 | Mainstem of Trinchera Creek from the outlet of Mountain Home Reservoir to the Rio Grande | 21.50 | | • | | | • | | | | | • | |
| 27 | Smith Reservoir | 6 | • | | | | • | | | | • | • | |
| 28 | Mainstem of Rito Seco, including all tributaries, wetlands, lakes and reservoirs, from the source to the outlet of Salzar Reservoir | 12.20 | • | | | | • | | | | • | • | |
| 29 | Mainstem of Rito Seco from the outlet of Salzar Reservoir to the confluence with Culebra Creek | 1.86 | | • | | | • | | | | • | • | |
| 30 +L | Mainstem of Culebra Creek, including all tributaries, wetlands, lakes and reservoirs, from the source to State Highway 159 except segments 28 and 29, mainstem and all tributaries of Costilla Creek in Colorado to 7 Road | 159.50 ⁷ | • | | | | • | | | | • | • | |
| | Subtotal Segments | 30 | 19 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 29 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 17 | 29 | 6 |
| | Subtotal Miles ⁸ | 2,443.56 | 1,765.11 | 32.65 | 65.40 | 27.70 | 1,902.66 | 0 | 540.90 | 0 | 1,616.55 | 2,442.01 | 746.20 |
| Alamosa River | / La Jara Creek / Conejos Creek Bas All tributaries to the Rio Grande, including all wetlands, lakes and reservoirs which are within the South San Juan Wilderness area | 135.22 | • | | | | • | | | | • | • | ow |
| 2 | Mainstem of the Alamosa River, including all tributaries, wetlands, lakes and reservoirs from source to immediately above the confluence with Alum Creek | 26.65 | • | | | | • | | | | • | • | |

| Stroom | | Stroom | | Aqua | tic Life ¹ | | | Re | ecreation ¹ | | Motor | | |
|--------------------------------|---|------------------------------|--------|--------|-----------------------|--------|----------|-----------|------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Stream Segment ¹ | Segment Description ¹ | Stream Miles ¹ | Cold 1 | Cold 2 | Warm 1 | Warm 2 | Existing | Potential | Not Suitable | Undetermined | Water Supply ¹ | Agriculture ¹ | Designation ¹ |
| 3a | All tributaries to the Rio Grande, including all wetlands, lakes and reservoirs which are within the South San Juan Wilderness area | 3.06 | | • | | | • | | | | | • | UP |
| 3b | All tributaries to the Rio Grande, including all wetlands, lakes and reservoirs which are within the South San Juan Wilderness area | 4.80 | • | | | | • | | | | | • | UP |
| 3c | Mainstem of the Alamosa River from immediately below the confluence with Fern Creek to immediately below the confluence with Ranger Creek | 5.48 | • | | | | • | | | | | • | UP |
| 3d | Mainstem of the Alamosa River from immediately below the confluence with Ranger Creek to the inlet of Terrace Reservoir | 5.08 | • | | | | • | | | | | • | |
| 4a | Mainstem of Alum Creek, Bitter Creek, Burnt Creek and Iron Creek from their sources to their confluences with the Alamosa River | 10.80 | | | | | • | | | | | • | UP |
| 4b | Mainstem of Iron Creek from its source to immediately above the confluence with South Mountain Creek | 2.92 | • | | | | • | | | | | • | |
| 5 | Mainstem of Wightman Fork from source to west line of S30 T37N R4E, including all tributaries and wetlands | 2.80 | • | | | | • | | | | | • | |
| 6 | Mainstem Wightman Fork from the west line of S30, T37N, R4E to the confluence with the Alamosa River | 5.76 | | | | | • | | | | | • | UP |
| 7 | Jasper Creek, including all tributaries and wetlands, from the source to the confluence with Alamosa River | 3.17 | | • | | | • | | | | | • | UP |
| 8 | Terrace Reservoir | 9 | | • | | | • | | | | | • | UP |
| 9 | Mainstem of Alamosa River from the outlet of Terrace Reservoir to Colorado Hwy 15 (Gunbarrel Road) | 10.80 | • | | | | • | | | | | • | UP |

| 61 | | 61 | | Aqua | tic Life ¹ | | | Re | creation ¹ | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|------------------------------|--------|--------|-----------------------|--------|----------|-----------|-----------------------|--------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Stream Segment ¹ | Segment Description ¹ | Stream Miles ¹ | Cold 1 | Cold 2 | Warm 1 | Warm 2 | Existing | Potential | Not Suitable | Undetermined | Water Supply ¹ | Agriculture ¹ | Designation ¹ |
| 10 | Mainstem of the Alamosa River from Colorado Highway 15 (Gunbarrel Road) to its point of final diversion | 27.30 | | • | | | • | | | | | • | UP |
| 11 +L | Mainstem of La Jara Creek, including all tributaries, wetlands, lakes and reservoirs, from the source to immediately above the confluence with Hot Creek | 158.30 ¹⁰ | • | | | | • | | | | | • | |
| 12 | Mainstem of La Jara Creek from immediately above the confluence with Hot Creek to the confluence with the Rio Grande | 36.80 | | | | • | • | | | | | • | |
| 13 | Mainstem Hot Creek from source to confluence with La Jara Creek | 14.00 | • | | | | • | | | | • | • | |
| 14 +L | Mainstem of Conejos River including all tributaries, wetlands, lakes and reservoirs, from source to immediately above the confluence with Fox Creek | 139.50 ¹¹ | • | | | | • | | | | • | • | |
| 15 | Mainstem of Conejos River from a point immediately above the confluence with Fox Creek to the confluence with the San Antonio River | 35.70 | | • | | | • | | | | • | • | |
| 16 | Mainstem of the Conejos River from the confluence with the San Antonio River to the confluence with the Rio Grande | 17.80 | | | | • | • | | | | | • | UP |
| 17 | Mainstem of Rio de Los Pinos, including all tributaries, wetlands, lakes and reservoirs, from the source to the New Mexico border, except for specific listings in segment 1. Mainstem of the Rio San Antonio from the New Mexico border to Highway 285 | 50.30 | • | | | | • | | | | • | • | |
| 18 | Mainstem of the Rio San Antonio from Highway 285 to the confluence with the Conejos River | 17.40 | | | | • | • | | | | | • | |

| Stream | | Stream | | Aqua | tic Life ¹ | | | Re | ecreation ¹ | | Water | | |
|----------------------|--|--------------------|--------|--------|-----------------------|--------|----------|-----------|------------------------|--------------|---------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Segment ¹ | Segment Description ¹ | Miles ¹ | Cold 1 | Cold 2 | Warm 1 | Warm 2 | Existing | Potential | Not Suitable | Undetermined | Supply ¹ | Agriculture ¹ | Designation ¹ |
| 19 | Mainstem of Rio Chama, including all tributaries, wetlands, lakes and reservoirs, from the source to the Colorado New Mexico border | 68.60 | • | | | | • | | | | • | • | |
| 20 | All tributaries to the Rio Grande, including wetlands, lakes and reservoirs, which are within the Rio Grande National Forest | 143.90 | • | | | | • | | | | • | • | |
| 21 | All tributaries to the Alamosa River, La Jara Creek, and the Conejos River from the confluence with Fox Creek to the Rio Grande | 303.90 | | | | | | | • | | | • | UP |
| 22 | All wetlands, lakes, and reservoirs tributary to the Rio Grande | 12 | | | | • | • | | | | | • | UP |
| | Subtotal Segments | 26 | 14 | 5 | 0 | 4 | 25 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 26 | 13 |
| | Subtotal Miles ⁸ | 1,230.04 | 768.35 | 69.23 | 0 | 72.00 | 926.14 | 0 | 303.90 | 0 | 613.87 | 1,230.04 | 528.09 |
| Closed Basin / | San Luis Valley Basin (CORGCB) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | All tributaries to the Closed Basin, including all wetlands, lakes and reservoirs, which are within the La Garita Wilderness Area | 28.00 | • | | | | • | | | | • | • | ow |
| 2 | Mainstem of La Garita Creek, including all tributaries, wetlands, lakes, and reservoirs, from the source to 38 Road; mainstem of Carnero Creek, including all tributaries, wetlands, lakes, and reservoirs, from the source to 42 Road | 166.20 | • | | | | • | | | | • | • | |
| 3 | All tributaries to the Closed Basin | 702.40 | | | | • | • | | | | • | • | UP |
| 4 | Mainstem of San Luis Creek, including all tributaries, wetlands, lakes and reservoirs, from the source to a point immediately below the confluence with Piney Creek | 168.30 | • | | | | • | | | | • | • | |

| Stream | | Stream | | Aqua | tic Life ¹ | | | Re | ecreation ¹ | | Water | | |
|----------------------|--|--------------------|--------|--------|-----------------------|--------|----------|-----------|------------------------|--------------|---------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Segment ¹ | Segment Description ¹ | Miles ¹ | Cold 1 | Cold 2 | Warm 1 | Warm 2 | Existing | Potential | Not Suitable | Undetermined | Supply ¹ | Agriculture ¹ | Designation ¹ |
| 5 | Mainstem of San Luis Creek from a point immediately below the confluence with Piney Creek to the inlet to San Luis Lake | 45.10 | | • | | | • | | | | | • | |
| 6 | San Luis Lake | 13 | • | | | | • | | | | | • | |
| 7 | Head Lake | 14 | | • | | | • | | | | | • | |
| 8 | Mainstem of Kerber Creek, including all wetlands, tributaries, lakes, and reservoirs, from the source to immediately above the Cocomongo Mill site. Mainstem of Squirrel Creek from the source to immediately above Bear Creek, Brewery Creek from source to Kerber Creek, and the mainstem of Elkhorn Gulch | 18.40 | • | | | | • | | | | | • | |
| 9a | Mainstem, tributaries, and wetlands of Kerber Creek, except for specific listings in segment 8, from the source to immediately above the confluence of Brewery Creek | 60.20 | | | | | • | | | | • | • | UP |
| 9b | Mainstem of Kerber Creek from the confluence with Brewery Creek to the confluence with San Luis Creek | 16.10 | • | | | | • | | | | • | • | UP |
| 10 | Sand Creek mainstem and all tributaries and wetlands, from the source to the mouth. Medano Creek mainstem and all tributaries and wetlands, from the source to the mouth | 81.60 | • | | | | • | | | | • | • | ow |
| 11 | All tributaries to the Closed Basin within the Rio Grande National Forest boundaries | 187.50 | • | | | | • | | | | • | • | |
| 12 | Mainstem of Saguache Creek from the boundary of the La Garita Wilderness Area to Hwy 285; all tributaries to Saguache Creek, including all wetlands, lakes, and reservoirs, from the source to a point immediately below the confluence with Ford Creek | 430.19 | • | | | | • | | | | • | • | |

| Stream | | Stream | | Aquat | tic Life ¹ | | | Re | creation ¹ | | Water | | |
|----------------------|--|--------------------|----------|--------|-----------------------|--------|----------|-----------|-----------------------|--------------|---------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Segment ¹ | Segment Description ¹ | Miles ¹ | Cold 1 | Cold 2 | Warm 1 | Warm 2 | Existing | Potential | Not Suitable | Undetermined | Supply ¹ | Agriculture ¹ | Designation ¹ |
| 13 a | Mainstem of Saguache Creek from U.S. Hwy 285 to the confluence with San Luis Creek; mainstem of Russel Creek and mainstem of Cottonwood Creek downstream of the National Forest boundary | 47.18 | | | | • | • | | | | • | • | UP |
| 13b | North Branch Saguache Creek and all tributaries | 12.05 | | | | • | • | | | | • | • | UP |
| 14 | All wetlands tributary to the Closed Basin | 5.73 | | | | • | • | | | | | • | UP |
| | Subtotal Segments | 16 | 9 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 16 | 8 |
| | Subtotal Miles ⁸ | 1,968.95 | 1,096.29 | 45.10 | 0 | 767.36 | 1,968.95 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1,899.72 | 1,968.95 | 953.26 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Total Segments | 72 | 42 | 11 | 1 | 11 | 70 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 36 | 71 | 27 |
| | Total Miles 15 | 5,642.55 | 3,629.75 | 146.98 | 65.40 | 867.06 | 4,797.75 | 0 | 844.80 | 0 | 4,130.14 | 5,641.00 | 2,227.55 |

¹ WQCC 2010a and 2010b; WQCD 2010a, appendices A and B.

² OW = Outstanding Waters

³ Lake-only segment. Lake acres = 1,619.80.

⁴ UP = Use Protected

⁵ Assessed lakes in this segment total 348.30 acres.

⁶ Lake-only segment. Lake acres = 673.00.

⁷ Assessed lakes in this segment total 743.20 acres.

⁸ Totals may not add due to rounding.

⁹ Lake-only segment. Lake acres = 141.60.

¹⁰ Assessed lakes in this segment total 927.52 acres.

¹¹ Assessed lakes in this segment total 416.10 acres.

¹² Lake-only segment. Lake acres = 20.43.

¹³ Lake-only segment. Lake acres = 530.00.

¹⁴ Lake-only segment. Lake acres = 203.60.

¹⁵ All acres for lake-only segments and lakes that are part of a segment with streams or wetlands and that have been assessed have been individually footnoted and are not included in the segment miles.

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Exhibit 10-25. Rio Grande River Basin Wetlands

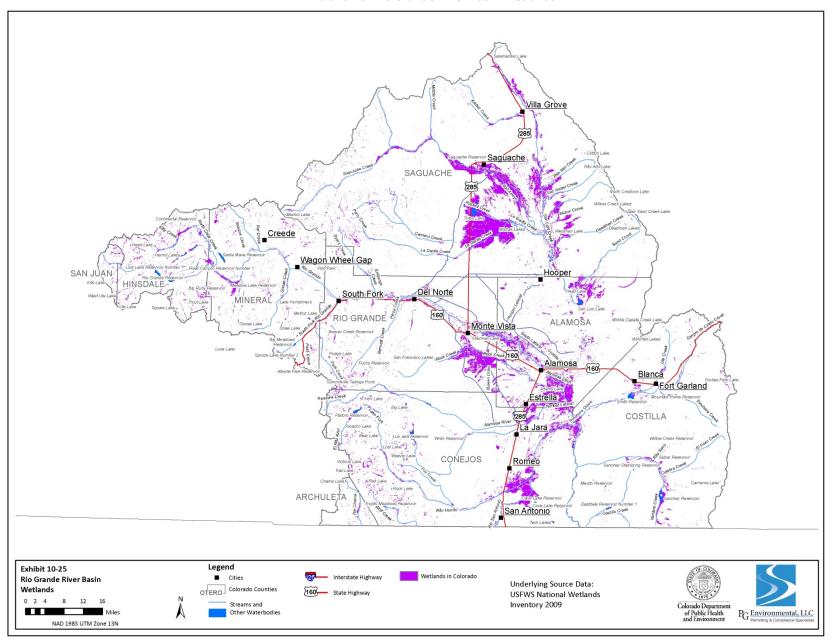


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SPECIFIED AREA FOR ALAMOSA WELLFIELD TOWNSHIP 37 NORTH; RANGE 9 & 10 EAST ALAMOSA EAST & WEST QUADRANGLE SITE LOCATION:

Exhibit 10-27. Rio Grande River Basin; City of Alamosa Wellfield, Alamosa County

Source: WQCC 2006.

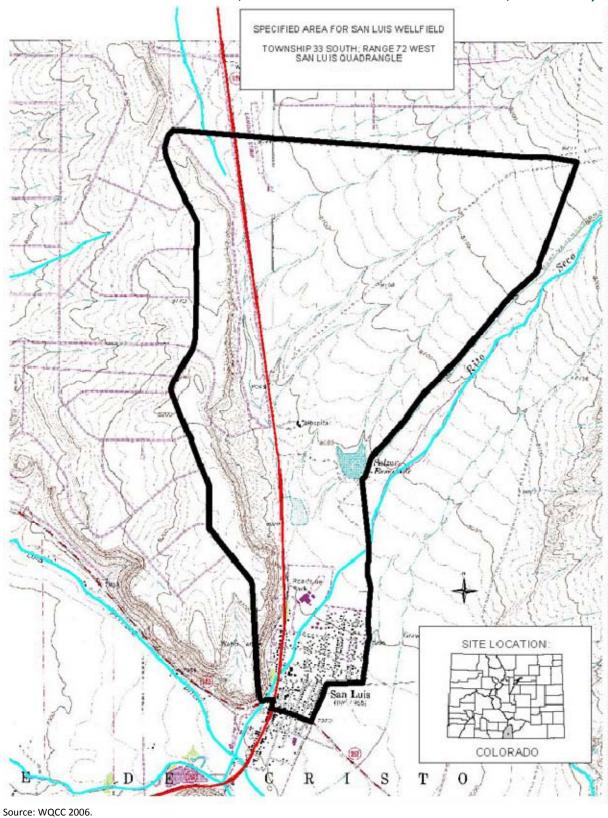


Exhibit 10-28. Rio Grande River Basin; San Luis Water and Sanitation District Wellfield, Costilla County

Exhibit 10-29. Rio Grande River Basin Impaired Stream Segments

| Number of | Total Stream | | | Use Categories No t of classified uses | t Being Attained by category basin- | wide) | | Parameters |
|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|---|------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| Impaired Segments | Miles Impaired | Aquatic Life Cold Water (n=53) | Aquatic Life Warm Water (n=12) | Existing Recreation (n=70) | Not Suitable for Recreation (n=2) | Water Supply (n=36) | Agriculture (n=71) | (number of impacted segments) |
| 13 | 188.21 | 10 (19%) | 0 (0%) | 2 (3%) | 0 (0%) | 1 (3%) | 1 (1%) | Copper (2) Iron (2) pH (2) Cadmium (1) Dissolved Oxygen (1) E. coli (1) Zinc (1) |
| mpaired Segme | ents and Miles as P | ercent of Total Se | gments and Stream | Miles in Basin | | | | |
| 18% | 3% | | | | | | | |

Exhibit 10-30. Rio Grande River Basin Impaired Lake/Reservoir Segments

| Number of Impaired Lakes | Total Acres Impaired | Aquatic Life Cold Water (n=9) | (percer Aquatic Life Warm Water (n=1) | Use Categories Not nt of classified uses I Existing Recreation (n=10) | | wide) Water Supply (n=4) | Agriculture (n=10) | Parameters (number of impacted lakes) | | | | |
|--------------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|--|---|-----------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| Basin-wide (n= 1 | Basin-wide (n= 10 segments and 5,623.55 acres) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | 2,127.30 | 4 (44%) | 0 (0%) | 0 (0%) | 0 (0%) | 0 (0%) | 0 (0%) | Dissolved Oxygen (2) Iron (2) Ammonia (1) | | | | |
| Impaired Lakes | and Acres as Perce | ent of Total Segme | ents and Lake Acres | in Basin | | | | | | | | |
| 40% | 38% | | | | | | | | | | | |

Exhibit 10-31. Rio Grande River Basin Impaired Waterbody Segments

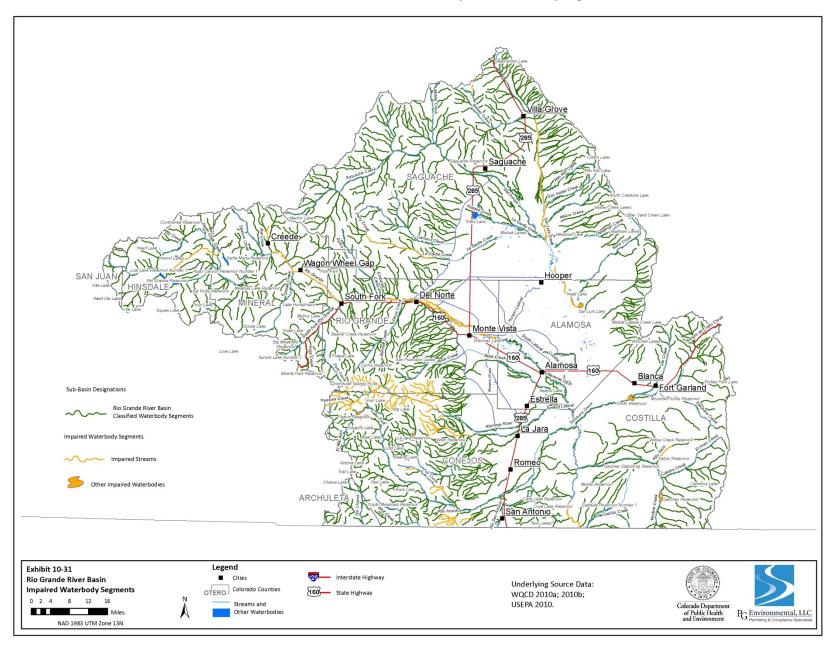


Exhibit 10-32. Rio Grande River Basin Impairments by Stream Segment¹

| We | | Were All | | | | | | | t Attai | | | | its by 5 | | | | Causing | Impai | rments | 4 | | | TMDL Development | |
|--|-----------------|------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|----|----|----|----|---------|-----|----|----|-----------------|----|----|------------|---------|-------|--------|----|------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Stream Segment | Stream Miles | Uses Attained in 2010? | Segment Portion | Portion Miles ² | C1 | C2 | W1 | W2 | RE | RNS | ws | AG | Desig | Cu | рН | E. coli | Zn | Fe | Cd | DO | Source(s) ⁵ | | velopme Status ⁶ M | ent H |
| Rio Grande River Basin (CORGRG) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | 87.32 | N | Del Norte to county line | 43.80 | • | | | | | | | | | • | | | | | | | М | | | • |
| 7 | 11.80 | N | Nelson Creek, West Willow Creek below Nelson Creek to East Willow Creek | 7.80 | | | | | • | | | | UP ⁷ | | • | | | | | | М | | | • |
| 28 | 12.20 | N | Upper Rito Seco below Battle Mtn | 12.20 | | | | | • | | | | | | | • | | | | | UK | | | • |
| Subtotal Segments Impaired 3 | | | | | • | • | | • | | • | | | | | | • | | | • | | • | | | |
| Subtotal Stream Miles Impaired 63.80 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Alamosa River / La Jara Creek / Conejos Creek Basin (CORGAL) | | | 1 | 1 | ı | 1 | 1 | | ı | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | ı | ı | | | |
| 2 | 26.65 | N | Tribs to lower Iron Ck | 2.09 | • | | | | | | | | | • | • | | • | • | | | UK | | | • |
| 3a | 3.06 | N | Alamosa River - Alum Creek to Wightman Fork | 3.06 | | • | | | | | | | UP | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3b | 4.80 | N | Above Jasper Creek | 4.80 | | • | | | | | | | UP | | | | | | • | | М | | | • |
| 3c | 5.48 | N | Alamosa River - Fern Creek to Terrace Reservoir | 5.48 | • | | | | | | | | UP | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3d | 5.08 | N | all | 5.08 | • | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | • | N | | | • |
| 5 | 2.80 | N | Wightman Fork, upper | 2.80 | • | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 9 | 10.80 | N | Alamosa River - Terrace Res. to CO Hwy 15 | 10.80 | • | | | | | | | • | UP | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 13 | 14.00 | N | all | 14.00 | • | | | | | | | | | | | | | • | | | N | | | • |

| | | Were All | | | | | Us | e(s) No | t Attaiı | ned³ | | | | F | Parame | ter(s) (| Causing | g Impai | rments | 4 | | TMDL Development | | |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|--|-------------------------------|----|----|----|---------|----------|----------|----|----|----------|----|--------|----------|---------|---------|--------|----|------------------------|---------------------|----------|---|
| Stream Segment | Stream Miles | Uses Attained | Segment Portion | Portion Miles ² | C1 | C2 | W1 | W2 | RE | RNS | ws | AG | Desig | Cu | рН | E. | Zn | Fe | Cd | DO | Source(s) ⁵ | Status ⁶ | | |
| | | in 2010? | | | | | | | | | | | | | | COII | | | | | | L | М | Н |
| Subtotal Segments Impaired 8 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Subtotal Str | Subtotal Stream Miles Impaired 48.11 | | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Closed Basin | n / San Luis \ | /alley Basin (C | CORGCB) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 9a 9b | 60.20 | N | Kerber Creek - source to above Brewery Creek Kerber Creek - Brewery Creek to San | 60.20 | • | | | | | | • | | UP | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | Luis Creek | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| - | l Segments I | | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Subtotal S | Stream Miles | Impaired | 76.30 | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Segme | Total Segments Impaired 13 | | | <u> </u> | | | | | | <u> </u> | | | <u> </u> | | | | | | | | | | <u> </u> | |
| Total Stream Miles Impaired 188.21 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

¹ The table includes all segments that are not attaining one or more of their classified uses as presented in appendix A of the 2010 Integrated Report. This can include segments for which a TMDL has been developed (which means the segment is not listed on the 2010 CWA section 303(d) list (Regulation No. 93) (WQCC 2010b; WQCD 2010a). For these segments it likely means that the full effects of TMDL implementation are yet to be realized and the segment has yet to attain its classified uses. The cells for "parameters causing impairments," "source(s)," and "TMDL development status" are left blank in these cases.

² Totals may not add due to rounding.

³ Key to Classified Uses: C1 = Aquatic Life Cold Water 1, C2 = Aquatic Life Cold Water 2, W1 = Aquatic Life Warm Water 1, W2 = Aquatic Life Warm Water 2, RE = Recreation Existing, RNS = Recreation Not Suitable, WS = Water Supply, and AG = Agriculture.

⁴ Key to Parameters: Cu = copper, E. coli = Escherichia coli, Zn = zinc, Fe = iron, Cd = cadmium, and DO = dissolved oxygen.

⁵ Key to Sources: M = mining, UK = unknown, and N= natural processes.

⁶ Key to TMDL Development Status: L = low priority, M = medium priority and H = high priority.

⁷ UP = Use Protected.

Exhibit 10-33. Rio Grande River Basin Impairments by Lake/Reservoir Segment¹

| Lake | Lake | Were All Uses | Segment | Portion | Use(s) Not Attained ³ | | | | | | | | | Parameter(s) Causing Impairments ⁴ | | | | TMDL Development | | |
|---------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|----------------------|----------|----------------------------------|----|---------------------|---------------------|--|--|---|--|--|--|---|---|------|------------------|---|---|
| Segment | Acres ¹ | Attained in 2010? | Portion | Desig | | Fe | Source ⁵ | Status ⁶ | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rio Grande | e River Basin | (CORGRG) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 30L ^{1.4} | 743.20 | N | Sanchez Reservoir | 743.20 | • | | | | | | | | | • | | | UK | | | • |
| Alamosa R | iver / La Jara | Creek / Cone | ejos Creek Basin | (CORGAL) | • | • | | | | | • | | | | | | | | | |
| 8 | 141.60 | N | Terrace Reservoir | 141.60 | | • | | | | | | | | | | • | M, N | | • | |
| 11L ^{1,4} | 927.52 | N | La Jara Reservoir | 712.50 | • | | | | | | | | | • | | | UK | | | • |
| Closed Bas | in / San Luis | Valley Basin | (CORGCB) | | | | | | | | • | | | | | | | • | | |
| 6 | 530.00 | N | San Luis Lake | 530.00 | • | | | | | | | | | | • | • | UK | | | • |
| Total Segments Impaired 4 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Lake Acres Impaired | | | 2,127. | 30 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

¹ The table includes all segments that are not attaining one or more of their classified uses as presented in appendix B of the 2010 Integrated Report. This can include segments for which a TMDL has been developed (which means the segment is not listed on the 2010 CWA section 303(d) list (Regulation No. 93) (WQCC 2010b; WQCD 2010a). For these segments it likely means that the full effects of TMDL implementation are yet to be realized and the segment has yet to attain its classified uses. The cells for "parameters causing impairments," "source(s)," and "TMDL development status" are left blank in these cases.

² Totals may not add due to rounding.

³ Key to Classified Uses: C1 = Aquatic Life Cold Water 1, C2 = Aquatic Life Cold Water 2, W1 = Aquatic Life Warm Water 1, W2 = Aquatic Life Warm Water 2, RE = Recreation Existing, RNS = Recreation Not Suitable, WS = Water Supply, and AG = Agriculture.

⁴ Key to Parameters: DO = dissolved oxygen, NH₃ = ammonia, and Fe = iron.

⁵ Key to Sources: UK = unknown, M= mining, and N = natural processes.

⁶ Key to TMDL Development Status: L = low priority, M = medium priority, and H = high priority.

Exhibit 10-34. Rio Grande River Basin Waterbody Segments Listed for Further Monitoring and Evaluation

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|---|---|--|----------|--------------|---------|-------------|---------------|------|---------------------|------|----------|--|
| | Segment | Parameters of Concern and Source(s) if Known | | | | | | | | | | |
| Segment | Portion(s) | рН | Iron | Selenium | Copper | Cadmium | Manganese | Zinc | Dissolved Oxygen | Lead | Sediment | |
| Rio Grande River | Basin (CORGR | G) | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | South Clear Creek | | • | | | | | | | | | |
| 5 | Nelson Creek | • | | | • | • | • | • | | • | | |
| 9 | Beaver Creek Reservoir | | | | | | | | • | | | |
| 13 | All | | | | | | | | | | • | |
| 27 | Smith Reservoir | • | | | | | | | | | | |
| Alamosa River / I | La Jara Creek / | Conejos | Creek Ba | sin (CORGAL) | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | All, except for the tributaries to Lower Iron Creek | • | • | | | | | | | | | |
| 3b | Above Jasper Creek | | | • | | | | | | | | |
| 11 | La Jara Reservoir | • | | • | • | | | • | | | | |
| 14 | Platoro Reservoir | • | | | | | | | | | | |
| 20 | All | • | • | | • | • | • | • | | | | |
| Closed Basin / Sa | n Luis Valley B | asin (C <u>O</u> I | RGCB) | | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | La Garita Creek | | • | | | | | | | | | |
| 5 | Lower San Luis Creek | | | | | | | | • | | | |
| 8 | Squirrel Creek | | • | | • | • | | • | | | | |
| Total Segments with One or More Portions on M&E List | 13 | 6 | 5 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | |

| Segment | Segment | | | Parameters of Concern and Source(s) if Known | | | | | | | | | |
|---|------------|----|------|--|--------|---------|-----------|------|---------------------|------|----------|--|--|
| | Portion(s) | рН | Iron | Selenium | Copper | Cadmium | Manganese | Zinc | Dissolved Oxygen | Lead | Sediment | | |
| Total as Percent of All Segments in Sub-basin, n=72 | 18% | 8% | 7% | 3% | 6% | 4% | 3% | 6% | 3% | 1% | 1% | | |

Source: WQCC 2010b; WQCD 2010a, appendix D.

Exhibit 10-35. in text

Exhibit 10-36. in text

Exhibit 10-37. in text

Exhibit 10-38. Rio Grande River Basin Completed and Approved TMDLs

| | | | Nio Grande River Basin Completed and Approved | T |
|--|--|------------------------------------|---|--|
| Segment No. and Portion Description | Pollutant(s) Addressed (TMDL Date) | Source(s) | Watershed Description | Current and Possible Future Strategies Identified in TMDL Reports ¹ |
| Alamosa River / La Jara Creek / | Conejos Creek Basin (| CORGAL) | | |
| CORGAL03a | Aluminum | The TMDL is archived. ² | | |
| Alamosa River, Alum Creek to | Copper | | | |
| Wightman Fork | Lead | | | |
| | Zinc | | | |
| CORGAL03b | pН | The TMDL is archived. ² | | |
| Alamosa River, Wightman | Aluminum | | | |
| Fork to Fern Creek | Copper | | | |
| | Zinc | | | |
| CORGAL03c | pH | The TMDL is archived. ² | | |
| Alamosa River, Fern Creek to | Aluminum | | | |
| Ranger Creek | Copper | | | |
| | Zinc | _ | | |
| CORGAL03d | pH | The TMDL is archived. ² | | |
| Alamosa River, Ranger Creek | Copper | | | |
| to inlet of Terrace Reservoir | Zinc | | | |
| CORGAL05 | pH | The TMDL is archived. ² | | |
| Wightman Fork above | | | | |
| Summitville | | | | |
| CORGAL08 | Copper | The TMDL is archived. ² | | |
| Terrace Reservoir | | | | |
| CORGAL09 | Copper | The TMDL is archived. ² | | |
| Alamosa River, outlet of | | | | |
| Terrace Reservoir to Highway | | | | |
| 15 | | | | |
| Rio Grande River Sub-Basin | | | | |
| CORGRG04 | Cadmium | Historic mining activities. | Rio Grande Segment 4 is located in Mineral and Rio | Previous and Current Activities: |
| Rio Grande River, Willow | Zinc | | Grande Counties, Colorado. This 83.3 mile segment is | The TMDL reports that between 1999 and 2003, a number of assessment |
| Creek to Alamosa County Line | | The sources of dissolved | defined as the mainstem of the Rio Grande from a point | and restoration activities were undertaken in the watershed, including |
| | (2008) | cadmium and zinc are | immediately above the confluence with Willow Creek to | the following: |
| Source: WQCD 2008c | | predominately from | the Rio Grande/Alamosa County line. The upper 30 miles | Watershed characterization efforts in partnership with the U.S. |
| | | historic mining features | of the segment are impaired and are listed on the 2008 | Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), U.S. Forest Service, |
| | | in the Willow Creek | 303(d) list for dissolved cadmium and dissolved zinc. | Natural Resources Conservation Service, Colorado Division of |
| | | drainage, and a lesser | | Minerals and Geology, and WQCD. The characterization efforts |
| | | source from groundwater | The Willow Creek Watershed is located in Mineral County, | undertaken included (1) identifying sources of heavy metals, (2) |
| | | springs above Wagon | Colorado in the eastern part of the San Juan Mountains in | characterizing transport of heavy metals to surface waters, (3) |
| | | Wheel Gap. | southwestern Colorado. Willow Creek and its tributaries, | quantifying heavy metals loading to Willow Creek and the Rio |
| | | | East Willow Creek and West Willow Creek, drain the | Grande River, (4) characterizing mine waste materials, (5) |
| | | | Willow Creek Watershed, an area of 39.8 square miles. | bioassessment of aquatic resources, (6) characterizing hydrological |
| | | | The primary community in the watershed is the town of | conditions in underground mines, and (7) identifying land |
| | | | Creede, which is the county seat for Mineral County. | revitalization opportunities. |
| | | | Creede's elevation is 8,852 feet above mean sea level. | Stabilization Plan for Commodore Dump. The state of Colorado |
| | | | Currently, the stream segment that defines the Willow | completed a preliminary flood control analysis and a conceptual |
| | | | Creek drainage, Rio Grande segment 7 (CORGRG07), has | design for the site. Willow Creek runs through the dump. |

| Segment No. and Portion Description | Pollutant(s) Addressed (TMDL Date) | Source(s) | Watershed Description | Current and Possible Future Strategies Identified in TMDL Reports ¹ |
|--|---|-----------------------------|--|---|
| | | | been assigned "ambient conditions" as the applicable water quality standards. However, in order to attain standards in the mainstem of the Rio Grande below Willow Creek, metal loading via the Willow Creek drainage must be addressed. Therefore, the scope of this TMDL includes the Willow Creek drainage and Rio Grande Segment 4. | Sampling of Mine Waste Dumps. The WQCD wrote a sampling and analysis plan for 11 mine waste dumps in the Creede District, some of which are large. The WCRC and contractors performed sampling using CWA section 319 funds. The sampling results revealed some contaminated piles for clean-up. Re-contour of Last Chance Waste Pile. The Western Colorado Research Center (WCRC), Colorado Division of Mining Reclamation and Safety (CDMRS), and U.S. Forest Service re-contoured portions of the Last Chance waste pile to reduce snow accumulation and subsequent leaching during spring snowmelt. They also installed a concrete catchment barrier at the toe of the waste pile to prevent sloughing of eroded waste material into the creek. The project was undertaken with a CWA section 319 grant. Stabilization of Amethyst Waste Pile. Under the above project, the WCRC, CDMRS, and U.S. Forest Service also pulled back waste from the creek, armored the toe of the waste piles against high flow events, deepened the creek channel, and constructed a new grizzly at the portal crossing on the creek above the waste pile. Superfund Removal Action. EPA Region 8 approved a Superfund removal action on Willow Creek. Placement of Nelson Tunnel/Commodore Waste Rock Site on Superfund National Priorities List. At the time of TMDL development, EPA was considering placing the tunnel on the National Priorities List. Future Activities: The WQCD recommended the following additional implementation activities: Monitoring of Willow Creek and its tributaries in addition to the Rio Grande above and below the confluence of Willow Creek More in-depth characterization of groundwater sources Additional remediation in order for aquatic life use-based standards to be attained below the Willow Creek mixing zone. |
| Closed Basin / San Luis Valley I | | I | | |
| CORGCB09a and 09b Kerber Creek, from the source to San Luis Creek Source: WQCD 2008b | Cadmium Lead Silver Copper Zinc pH | Historic mining activities. | Kerber Creek to Brewery Creek (segment CORGCB09a) is not attaining its classified uses for cadmium. In 2008, a TMDL was approved covering this parameter in addition to lead, silver, and pH. The second segment is from Brewery Creek to San Luis Creek (segment CORGCB09b). It is not attaining its classified uses for copper. The TMDL approved in 2008 also covers this segment for copper, cadmium and | Previous and Current Activities: WQCD identifies a number of restoration planning, and implementation activities that have been performed, including the following: Sampling and Analysis. Sampling and analysis was undertaken to evaluate mining-related impacts on surface water, groundwater, and soils; to evaluate contaminant pathways and mine hydrology; |
| | (2008) | | zinc. Both TMDLs indicate that legacy mining features and draining adits in the Bonanza Mining District are the main sources of the cadmium and copper exceedances. The area was actively mined from 1880 to 1969, and | and to perform geologic mapping. Biological Assessments. Assessments were performed to identify stream and riparian habitat impacts. Prioritization of Remediation Activities. The overall site was assessed to prioritize strategies for addressing impacts from areas of concern. |

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| Segment No. and Portion Description | Pollutant(s) Addressed (TMDL Date) | Source(s) | Watershed Description | Current and Possible Future Strategies Identified in TMDL Reports ¹ |
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| | | | environmental problems arising from the historical mining activities include continuous discharge of high metal content drainage from one of the mine adits, erosion of high metal content mining wastes into Kerber Creek, and stormwater runoff. As a result, fish and normal aquatic life have disappeared as far as 10 miles downstream of the Bonanza Mining District. WQCD reports in the TMDL that the previous and current activities listed to the right were implemented generally between 1994 and 2003 and that by 2008 Kerby Creek had progressed from supporting virtually no aquatic life over a 10-mile stretch to primary achievement of water quality goals. Fish are now present in Kerber Creek below its confluence with Brewer Creek, as well as other areas in the former mining district. | On-site Collection of Tailings. Tailings and other metal-bearing and acid-generating mine wastes were consolidated and capped in an on-site repository. In-Place Closure of Tailings. In-place closure was performed in areas of difficult access along Kerber Creek. Design and Construction of Structural Components to Collect Mine Waste. A concrete plug was designed and constructed 2,200 feet inside the primary mine drainage feature at the site, the Rawley 12 adit. The strategy included the design and construction of a pond for surge control and passive water treatment during the mine adit rehabilitation and plugging process. It also included installation of a drying bed to stabilize sludge removed from the surge pond. Development of a Local Limestone Quarry. The quarry was developed to supply limestone for repository capping, repository and stream bank erosion protection (boulders and riprap), neutralization of certain waste materials, and reclamation soil amendments. Implementation of Mine Infiltration and Stormwater Controls. Hydrological Modifications. These efforts included reestablishment of natural meandering channel patterns; channel stabilization with rock barbs, vortex weirs, root wads, and willow/alder plantings; and lining of channels to preclude infiltration into mine workings. Other Waste Removal and Consolidation. These activities included stream channel restoration and stabilization, riparian zone enhancement, installation of sediment control structures, and creation of stream diversions. Reclamation of Upland and Riparian Areas. Road and Bridge Improvements. These activities were undertaken to facilitate response actions and public safety. Monitoring Effectiveness of Response Actions. Future Activities: The U.S. Forest Service and the WQCD should continue to control orphan mine sites in the watershed. The WQCD and its partners should |
| Sanchez Reservoir | Mercury | Atmospheric deposition and generalized geologic | A private irrigation company, Costilla Estates Development Company, constructed Sanchez Reservoir approximately 6 | Previous and Current Activities: EPA noted at the time the TMDL was developed that the preferred |
| Source: USEPA 2008 | (2008) | background watershed loading | miles south of San Luis in 1912 in order to supply irrigation water. In 1956, ownership of the reservoir was transferred to the Sanchez Ditch and Reservoir Company. The Colorado Division of Wildlife (CDOW) began fishery management in 1978, although fish stocking records exist | option under the Clean Air Mercury Rule (CAMR Option 1) would result in only a 2.2 percent reduction in mercury deposition rates to the Sanchez watershed, far below the needed reduction of 73 percent (USEPA 2008) |
| F':11/ | 10.0011 | | from 1952. With a drainage area of 226.6 square miles, | Future Activities: |

| Segment No. and Portion Description | (TMDL Date) | | Watershed Description | Current and Possible Future Strategies Identified in TMDL Reports ¹ | | | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|--|--|---|--|--|--|
| | | | the reservoir receives flow from Culebra Creek, Vallejos Creek, and San Francisco Creek via the Sanchez canal as well as directly from five intermittent streams. The majority of the watershed is contained within Costilla County, CO, with a small portion in Taos County, NM. The reservoir has a surface area of 3,145 acres and a storage capacity of 103,000 acre feet at 8,300 feet above mean sea level. The reservoir rarely approaches full storage however, and typically contains about 40,000 acre-feet with an area of about 1,600 acres. | The WQCD suggests some general areas for mitigating mercury, which include the following: Promote strategies that reduce the regional and global transport of mercury through heads of state agencies, the state Governor, federal agency executives, state and national professional associations, industrial trade associations, and other entities. Reduce erosion and sedimentation in the watershed to yield a net benefit to the management of mercury in the reservoir. The transport of mercury from the watershed is associated with the movement of sediment. The Sanchez Canal was identified as a potential starting point because recent sampling suggests that the upper portion of the canal is a net source of mercury load. The specific strategy would be to place the spoils, from the annual dredging of the canal, down-gradient so that sediment fines and mercury do not re-contaminate the canal. Conduct public education and other activities to reduce illicit dumping of household waste and management of potential mercury sources from automobile junkyards in the watershed. The WQCD acknowledges that the likely net reduction in mercury in the watershed and reservoir would be small. | | | |

¹The strategies indicated are those noted in the TMDL reports as those taking place at the time the TMDL was developed and those projected for the future. The exhibit does not report on the current status of any of these activities as this information was not readily available for the first SWQMP.

² Archived TMDLs may be obtained by sending an email to <u>comments.wqcd@state.co.us</u>. Due to time and resource constraints, these TMDLs were not accessed and reviewed for the first SWQMP.

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Exhibit 10-41. Rio Grande River Basin Point Source Projects and Scheduled Improvements¹

| Exhibit 10-41. No Grande River Basili Folit Source Projects and Scheduled Improvements | | | | | | | | | _ | |
|--|------------------|--|---|----------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|--|-------------------|--|
| County | Permit Number | Permit Type, Expiration Date & Status ² | Facility or Authority Project Name Address (if available) | Source Info ³ | IUP⁴No. | Applicable IUP Appendices⁵ | Project Type ⁶ | Project Description | Estimated Cost | Population to Benefit from Project |
| | G650088 | NPDES Gen. 8/16/2007 Expired | Alamosa, City of PO Box 419 Alamosa, CO 81101 | Envirofacts | NA | NA | NA | | NA | NA |
| | - | | Alamosa County | CWNS and IUP | 030004W (Mosca ID) | В | WWT | New WWTP ⁷ ; Improvement/ Expansion of WWTP; Connect to Existing Facility; Collection System and/or Interceptor Construction or Rehabilitation; Eliminate ISDS ⁸ | \$729,000 | 50 |
| Alamosa | G650088 | NPDES Gen. 8/16/2007 Expired | East Alamosa Water and | CWNS | NA | NA | NA | | NA | NA |
| | 0033189 | | Sanitation District | IUP | 050015W | В | wwt | Collection System and/or Interceptor Construction or Rehabilitation | \$383,168 | 1,450 |
| | - | | Town of Hooper | CWNS and IUP | 080002W | В | WWT | New WWTP; Eliminate ISDS | \$1,000,000 | 125 |
| | 0044458 | NPDES 1/31/2013 Effective | Regional Wastewater Treatment Facility 1124 Old Airport Road Alamosa, CO 81101 | Envirofacts | NA | NA | NA | | NA | NA |
| Total for Ala | mosa County | | | | | | | | \$2,112,168 | |
| | 0040975 | NPDES 11/30/2012 Effective | Antonito, Town of 5376 County Road 14 Antonito, CO 81120 | Envirofacts | NA | NA | NA | | NA | NA |
| | | | | | 030150W | В | WWT | Collection System and/or Interceptor Construction or Rehabilitation; Improvement/ Expansion of WWTP | \$2,050,000 | 869 |
| Conejos | 0020150 | NPDES 10/31/2009 | La Jara, Town of 19251 County Road 17 | Envirofacts, CWNS, and | 080026W | B and C | StW | Stormwater Project | \$500,000 | 854 |
| ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, | | Effective | La Jara, CO 81140 | IUP | 090014W | В | WWT | Improvement/Expansion of WWTP; Collection System and/or Interceptor Construction or Rehabilitation | \$525,000 | 1,025 |
| | 0042935 | NPDES 7/31/2008 Admin. Continued | Manassa Wastewater Treatment Plant Approx 1/4 Mi. Northeast of Town Manassa, CO 81141 | Envirofacts, CWNS, and IUP | 030176W | В | wwt | Improvement/Expansion of WWTP | \$500,000 | 1,042 |

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|---------------|------------------|--|--|----------------------------------|---------|--|------------------------------|--|-------------------|--|
| | 0038954 | NPDES 1/31/2008 Expired | Platoro Joint Venture South Edge of Town Platoro, CO | Envirofacts | NA | NA | NA | | NA | NA |
| Conejos | G581000 | | Romeo Lagoons | CWNS | NA | NA | NA | | NA | NA |
| conejos | G581017 | | Romeo, Town of | IUP | 030235W | В | wwt | Improvement/Expansion of WWTP; New or Improvements to Biosolids Handling Facility; Collection System and/or Interceptor Construction or Rehabilitation | \$599,000 | 430 |
| Total for Cor | nejos County | | | | | | | | \$4,174,000 | |
| | - | | Blanca, Town of | CWNS and IUP | 050006W | В | WWT | Collection System and/or Interceptor Construction or Rehabilitation | \$600,000 | 402 |
| | 0036528 | NPDES 8/31/2010 Effective | Costilla County Water and Sanitation District 11037 County Road L.5 San Luis, CO 81152 | Envirofacts and IUP | 090115W | В | WWT | Improvement/Expansion of WWTP; Collection System and/or Interceptor Construction or Rehabilitation | \$500,000 | 1,000 |
| Costilla | G650149 | NPDES Gen. 10/19/2012 Effective | Fort Garland Water and Sanitation District 1/4 Section 21, T30S, R72W Fort Garland, CO 81133 | Envirofacts | NA | NA | NA | | NA | NA |
| | 0045675 | NPDES 9/30/2012 Effective | San Luis Gold 3 ½ miles north of town on Rito Sico Rd. San Luis, CO 81152 | Envirofacts | NA | NA | NA | | NA | NA |
| | G583003 | NPDES Gen. 4/30/2004 Admin. Continued | San Luis Lagoons | CWNS and IUP | 030242W | В | wwT | Improvement/Expansion of WWTP; Collection System and/or Interceptor Construction or Rehabilitation | \$300,000 | 739 |
| Total for Cos | stilla County | | | | | | | | \$1,400,000 | |
| Mineral | 0040533 | NPDES 1/31/2011 Effective | Creede, Town of 2223 North Main Street Creede, CO 81130 | Envirofacts and CWNS | NA | NA | NA | | NA | NA |
| Total for Mir | neral County | | | | | | | | \$0.00 | |
| Rio Grande | 0020281 | NPDES 12/31/2011 Effective | Del Norte, Town of 1 mile east of town on US Hwy 160 Del Norte, CO 81132 | CWNS, Envirofacts, and IUP | 050001W | В | WWT | Improvement/Expansion of WWTP | \$400,000 | 1,705 |

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|---------------|----------------------|--|--|--------------------------|---------|--|------------------------------|--|-------------------|--|
| | 0023132 | NPDES 4/30/2013 Effective | Henderson Lagoon Facility Approximately ¼ of a mile northeast of town Monte Vista, Co 81144 | Envirofacts | NA | NA | NA | | NA | NA |
| | | NPDES | | GMMS d | 030188W | В | wwt | Improvement/Expansion of WWTP; Consolidation of Wastewater Treatment Facilities; Collection System and/or Interceptor Construction or Rehabilitation | \$9,500,000 | 4,700 |
| Rio Grande | 0023132 (0036927) | 4/30/2013 Effective | Monte Vista Wastewater Treatment Plant | CWNS and IUP | 090059W | В | WWT | Improvement/Expansion of WWTP; Consolidation of Wastewater Treatment Facilities; Collection System and/or Interceptor Construction or Rehabilitation | \$3,761,300 | 4,700 |
| | | | | | 090130W | В | StW | Stormwater Project | \$12,808,000 | 4,700 |
| | G588039 | NPDES Gen. 5/31/2010 Effective | South Fork Water and Sanitation District | CWNS and IUP | 070001W | В | WWT | Improvement/Expansion of WWTP; Green Infrastructure, Water Efficiency, Energy Efficiency | \$1,250,000 | 1,000 |
| | G650142 | NPDES Gen. 10/19/2012 Effective | Veterans Center Wastewater Treatment | - Course foots | NA | NA | NA | | NA | NA |
| | 0036927 | NPDES 4/30/2013 Effective | Plant 201 North Road 3 East Monte Vista, Co 81144 | Envirofacts | NA | NA | NA | | NA | NA |
| Total for Rio | Grande County | | | | | | | | \$27,719,300 | |
| | 0046914 | NPDES 2/28/2010 Effective | Aspen Institute Wastewater Treatment Facility 70502 County Road T Crestone, CO 81131 | Envirofacts | NA | NA | NA | | NA | NA |
| Saguache | G581019 (G600424) | NPDES Gen. 4/30/2004 Admin. Continued | Center Sanitation District | CWNS and IUP | 030044W | В | WWT | Improvement/Expansion of WWTP; New or Improvements to Biosolids Handling Facility | \$250,000 | 2,500 |
| | | | Crestone Town of | CWNS and | 070023W | В | StW | Stormwater Project | \$500,000 | 125 |
| | | | Crestone , Town of | IUP | 090023W | В | SWP | Source Water Protection | \$52,000 | 130 |

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|---------------------------|------------------|--|---|--------------------------|---------|--|------------------------------|---|-------------------|--|
| | 0043109 | NPDES 7/31/2007 Expired | Mobile Home Estates Wastewater Treatment Facility 4 miles west of town Crestone, CO 81131 | Envirofacts | NA | NA | NA | | NA | NA |
| Saguache | - | | Moffat Lagoon | CWNS and IUP | 030187W | В | WWT | WWTP; Collection System and/or Interceptor Construction or Rehabilitation; Eliminate ISDS | \$500,000 | 114 |
| | G582007 | | Saguache Wastewater Treatment Plant | CWNS and | 030240W | B and C | WWT | Improvement/Expansion of WWTP; Collection System and/or Interceptor Construction or Rehabilitation | \$1,834,000 | 578 |
| | 0047619 | | reatment runt | 101 | 090057W | B and C | WWT | Green Infrastructure, Water Efficiency, Energy Efficiency | \$25,000 | 578 |
| Total for Saguache County | | | | | | | | | \$3,161,000 | |

Total Estimated Cost All Projects \$38,566,468

¹ Note that this table identifies only NPDES facilities contained in the publicly available data sources evaluated; therefore, it should not be considered an all-inclusive list.

² Admin. Continued = Administratively Continued (permit status). For a review of the various NPDES permit types issued by Colorado, consult chapter 3 of the SWQMP.

³ Source information is USEPA 2010a and 2010d; WQCD 2010b.

⁴ IUP = Intended Use Plan (WQCD 2010b).

⁵ The 2010 IUP contains several appendices containing lists of projects. Appendix B is a list of the current construction needs for all identified eligible water quality projects (i.e., project eligibility list) including point source treatment, nonpoint source, stormwater, and source water assessment projects. Appendix C lists projects that are likely to be funded with Water Pollution Control Revolving Funds (WPCRF) loans in 2010. For those projects included in appendix A, the loan value is sometimes lower than the estimated cost. Only the estimated cost as shown in appendix B is shown in this table.

⁶ Project type categories include the following: WWT = advanced or secondary wastewater treatment, including infiltration and inflow correction, NPS = nonpoint source control project, StW = stormwater project, and SWP = source water protection project.

⁷ WWTP = wastewater treatment plant.

⁸ ISDS = individual sewage disposal systems.

Exhibit 10-42. Rio Grande River Basin Summary of CWA Section 319 Nonpoint Source Grant Projects

| Number of Projects | Fiscal Year | GRTS Project Number | Project Title | Functional Categories | Primary NPS Categories | Secondary NPS Categories | Total Budget | CWA Section 319(h) Portion (percent of total budget) | Other Funding |
|-----------------------|-------------|---------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|---|----------------------------|---|----------------|
| | 2005 | 12 | Nelson Tunnel and Amethyst Pile BMPs | BMP Design/Implementation | Resource Extraction | Abandoned Mine Drainage | \$485,191 | \$197,723 (41%) | \$287,468 |
| | 2005 | 13 | Rio Grande Watershed Restoration Strategic Plan | Watershed Modeling General Usage | Agriculture | Land Development or Redevelopment | \$52,600 | \$25,000 (48%) | \$27,600 |
| 4 | 2005 | 14 | Culebra Watershed Plan | Watershed Planning | Silviculture | None Specified | \$0 | \$0 (0%) | \$0 |
| | 2010 | | Upper Kerber Creek Watershed Plan - Trout Unlimited | Watershed Planning | None specified | None specified | Recommended for funding | None specified | None specified |
| Basin Totals | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | 2005-2010 | | | | | | \$537,791 | \$222,723 (41%) | \$315,068 |

Sources: USEPA 2010c; WQCC 2010b; WQCD 2010a.